This notice constitutes the antidumping duty order with respect to xanthan gum from the PRC pursuant to section 736(a) of the Act. Interested parties may contact the Department’s Central Records Unit, Room 7043 of the main Commerce building, for copies of an updated list of antidumping duty orders currently in effect. This order and amended final determination are published in accordance with sections 735(e), 736(a) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.211 and 351.224(e).

Dated: July 15, 2013.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No. 120921480–2480–01]

Announcing Approval of Federal Information Processing Standard 186–4, Digital Signature Standard

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Secretary of Commerce’s approval of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 186–4, Digital Signature Standard (DSS). FIPS 186–4 specifies three techniques for the generation and verification of digital signatures that can be used for the protection of data: The Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA), the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) and the Rivest-Shamir Adelman Algorithm (RSA). This revision includes a clarification of terms, a reduction of restrictions on the use of random number generators and the retention and use of prime number generation seeds, a correction of wording and typographical errors, and further aligns the FIPS with Key Cryptography Standard (PKCS) #1. FIPS 186–4 is available at http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsFIPS.html.

DATES: The changes are effective on July 19, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elaine Barker (301) 975–2911, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20890–8930, email: Elaine.Barker@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FIPS 186, first published on May 19, 1994 (59 FR 26208), specified a digital signature algorithm (DSA) to generate and verify digital signatures. Later revisions (FIPS 186–1, which was published in the Federal Register on December 15, 1998 (63 FR 69049) and FIPS 186–2, which was published on February 15, 2000 (65 FR 7507)) adopted two additional algorithms: The Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) and the RSA digital signature algorithm. FIPS 186–3, which was adopted on June 9, 2009 (74 FR 27287), increased the key sizes allowed for DSA, provided additional requirements for the use of ECDSA and RSA, and included requirements for obtaining the assurances necessary for valid digital signatures. FIPS 186–3 also replaced the specifications for random number generators that had been provided in the previous versions of the FIPS with a reference to SP 800–90 for obtaining random numbers.

The changes to FIPS 186–3 include:

1. Clarification of terms used within previous versions of the FIPS.
2. Allowing the use of any random bit/number generator that is approved for use in FIPS 140–2–validated modules.
3. Reducing restrictions on the retention and use of prime number generation seeds for generating RSA key pairs.
4. Correcting statements regarding the generation of the integer k for DSA and ECDSA.
5. Correcting a typological error in the processing steps for ECDSA.
6. Correcting the wording for the criteria for generating RSA key pairs.
7. Aligning the specification for the use of a salt in the RSASSA–PSS digital signature scheme with Public Key Cryptography Standard (PKCS) #1.

NIST published a Federal Register Notice (77 FR 21538) on April 10, 2012 to request public comments on the proposed revisions to FIPS 186–3. We received two sets of comments from private sector organizations. The following summarizes the comments received during the public comment period, and includes NIST’s response to each comment.

Comment: One commenter stated that the informative text in Section 5 indicates that the NIST-recommended elliptic curves have a cofactor of one, whereas, for the ten binary curves, the cofactors actually vary from two to four.

Response: That informative text was not included in FIPS 186–4, as the statement is not critical to the intent of the change.

Comment: One commenter stated that the definition of len(a) given in Section 2.3 of FIPS 186–3 is not sufficient, since it begs the question about whether or not leading zero bits are counted in the length.

Response: The FIPS was modified to include a revised definition for len(a), as suggested by the commenter.

Comment: One commenter stated that Table 1 of Section 6.1.1 of FIPS 186–3 includes an incorrect expression for the bit length of powers of two.

Response: As this expression is not critical to the table, NIST deleted the expression from the FIPS.

Comment: One commenter stated that in Appendix B.3.1, Table B.1 of FIPS 186–3, the inequality operators are confusing. These table entries should be replaced by explicit minimum and maximum values.

Response: NIST considered and rejected the request, as the table entries are specified correctly.


Authority: In accordance with the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–106) and the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA) (Pub. L. 107–347), the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to approve Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS). NIST activities to develop computer security standards to protect federal sensitive (unclassified) information systems are undertaken pursuant to specific responsibilities assigned to NIST by section 20 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278g–3), as amended.

E.O. 12866: This notice has been determined not to be significant for the purposes of E.O. 12866.

Dated: July 15, 2013.

Willie E. May,
Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XC767

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that three direct take permits have been issued pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) for operation,
monitoring, and evaluation of hatchery programs rearing and releasing spring Chinook salmon in the Wenatchee River basin of Washington state, and that the decision documents are available upon request.

DATES: Permits 18118, 18120, and 18121 were issued on July 2, 2013, subject to certain conditions set forth therein. Subsequent to issuance, the necessary countersignatures by the applicants were received. The permits expire on July 1, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the decision documents or any of the other associated documents should be directed to the Salmon Management Division, NOAA’s National Marine Fisheries Service, 1201 NE Lloyd Blvd., Suite 1100, Portland, OR 97232. The documents are also available on the Internet at www.nwr.noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amilee Wilson, Lacey, WA, at phone number: (360) 753–5820; email: amilee.wilson@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is relevant to the following units (ESUs) pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act.

Chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tsawtytscha): endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated Upper Columbia River spring.

Dated: July 16, 2013.

Angela Somma,
Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XC763

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; Public Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of the Standing, Special Mackerel and Special Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical Committees (SSC).

DATES: The meeting will be held from 1 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6 until 12 noon on Thursday, August 8, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL, 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Steven Atran, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348–1630; fax: (813) 348–1711; email: steven.atran@gulfcouncil.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion in the committee meeting agendas are as follows:

Standing and Special Mackerel SSC Agenda, Tuesday, August 6, 2013, 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.

1. Introductions and Adoption of Mackerel SSC Agenda
2. Approval of May 29, 2013 Standing and Special Mackerel SSC summary minutes
3. SEDAR 28 Spanish mackerel benchmark assessment results
   a. Assessment results based on 30% SPR proxy for MSY
   b. Review of weighted average PDFs
   c. Consideration for approval of assessment
   d. Recommendation of ABC
4. Overview of ongoing Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendments
   a. CMP Amendment 19—Bag limit sales, trip limits, latent gill net permits
   b. CMP Amendment 20—Boundaries, transit provision
5. Other business

Standing and Special Reef Fish SSC Agenda, Tuesday, August 6, 2013, 3 p.m. Until 5 p.m.; Wednesday, August 7, 2013, 8:30 a.m. Until 5 p.m.; Thursday, August 8, 2013, 8:30 a.m. Until 12 Noon

1. Approval of May 29–31, 2013 Standing and Special Reef Fish SSC summary minutes
2. MRIP Revisions of OFLs and ABCs for Several Species and Species Groupings
   a. Summary of Draft Framework Action
   b. Review of methodology for revising OFLs and ABCs
   c. Recommendations for OFLs and ABCs
3. Gray Triggerfish Review
   a. Updated indices of abundance and yield projections
   b. Consideration of ABC revision for 2014
   a. Yield projections
   b. Consideration of ABC revision for 2014—Patterson
5. ABC Control Rule Revisions
   a. Tier structure of ABC control rule
   b. Tier 3 revisions (e.g., Martell et al.)
   c. Incorporating Scientific Uncertainty into the PDF

6. Overview of ongoing Reef Fish Actions
   a. Red snapper allocation
   b. Red snapper IFQ revisions
   c. Amendment 39—Regional management of recreational red snapper
   d. Intersector trading of allocations
   e. Definition of for-hire fishing
7. Selection of SSC representative at August 26–30, 2013 Council meeting
8. Other business
   a. Review of SEDAR Assessment Schedule/Priorities


Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Scientific and Statistical Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the Scientific and Statistical Committees will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council’s intent to take action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Council Office (see ADDRESSES), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: July 16, 2013.

Tracey L. Thompson,
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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